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In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 3, 2003, the Applicant requests the Examiner to please consider the following remarks. Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by *Crawford* (U.S. Pat. No. 6,456,242). Independent claim 1 recites a wireless computer network that includes an integrated chassis antenna that is coupled to the computer chassis.

Crawford fails to teach or suggest a wireless computer network that includes an integrated chassis antenna that is coupled to the computer chassis. The Examiner relies on a partial recitation of the court's holding in In re Priest, 582 F.2d 33, 199 U.S.P.Q. 11 (C.C.P.A. 1978). A more complete recitation of the court's holding is that "no 'applicant should have limitations of the specification read into a claim where no express statement of the limitation is included in the claim." In re Priest, 582 F.2d at 37, 199 U.S.P.Q. at 15, citing In re Prater, 415 F.2d 1393, 1405, 162 U.S.P.Q. 541, 551 (C.C.P.A. 1969). In the present patent application, the "integrated" limitation is expressly included in independent claim 1. Thus, the holding in In re Priest is inapplicable.

Furthermore, MPEP § 2111.01 states, "During examination, the claims must be interpreted as broadly as their terms reasonably allow. This means that the words of the claim

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